

“Growing Within, Reaching Out, Making a Difference”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

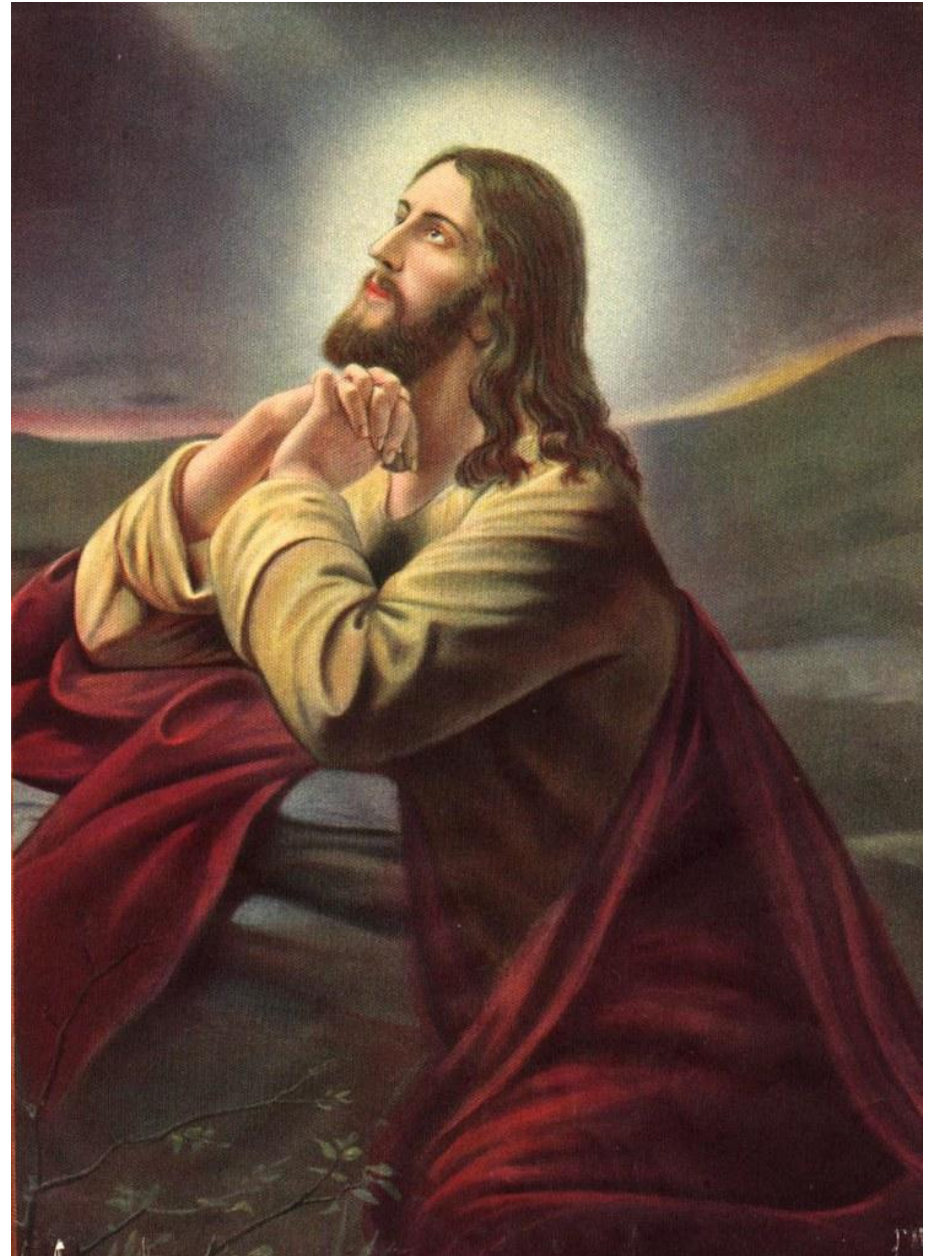


Reasons to Rejoice: God is Good!

For God’s Guidance with these concerns: Sherri & Brian Jett, Family of Kelly Amos, Family of Steve Lewis, Beanie & Evelyn Hayhurst, Jeanette Tingler, Joe Morris & family, Marilyn Mosser, Ed Carpenter & family, our Nation & Troops, our Leaders, unspoken prayers, for unbelievers, Sharon Meeks, Carol Ann, Marlow Felker, The Guthrie Family, All with missing family members, Kenny Griffith, Dick Lawrence, Mark Perkins, Brock Collins, Walter Fleming, Dickie Blour, Tim Jenkins, Shelli Beck, Sandy Lamp, Lois Ann Hayes, Floyd & Karen Jenkins, Phil Britton, Andrea Dodd, Reese Henderson, Lloyd Lewis (bro of Pastor)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tonight	5/17	Leadership Board Meeting 6 pm
MON	6/1	Blood Drive at the Fire Dept 10 am-2pm



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Instrumental Prelude	Kathy McCullough
Altar Candle Lighting	Margie Tallman
Announcements:	Joseph Burdette
Anniversaries & Birthdays	
Joys & Concerns	

Opening Prayer: God of the world, we give you thanks that Jesus, the Christ, has saved us and that the Spirit has molded us to be your disciples in the world. We are often overwhelmed by the needs of the world and our own efforts, yet we yearn for peace with justice. Empower us for the task of discipleship and make us bold in the face of the world's sin. Help us to employ our gifts and stand resolute in faith. We ask this in Jesus' holy name. **Amen**

HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" No. 89

Call To Worship

L: Easter people, Christ has completed the work of salvation, reconciling us to God so that we may know eternal life.

P: Through Christ, we are made one with God.

L: In life, death, and Resurrection, Christ guides us into eternal life with God here and now.

P: Through Christ, we are made one in God.

L: Through prayer and teaching, healing and serving, Christ draws us together as the people of God, diverse members of the one body.

P: Through Christ, we are made one with God and one another.

L: So, come, let us worship God who saves us into eternal life with God and one another!

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn "I Want a Principle Within" No. 410

Prayer for Unity *See Insert*

Scripture Reading Joseph Burdette

The Gospel *John 17:1-11* **Letter of the Apostle** *1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11*

Message "**So That They May Be One**" *Pastor Anna*
Stories That Matter

Invitation to the Offering *Mail-in, Online*
Unifying God of Grace, you have entrusted us with the joy of community and the calling of witness. As Jesus prayed that we might be one, we bring these gifts as a sign of our shared commitment to Your mission in the world. Let our giving reflect our love, our unity declare Your glory, and our generosity embody Christ's presence among us. Use these offerings to strengthen the church, to bless our neighbors, and to glorify Your name. In Christ, we belong to You. In Christ, You are glorified in us. Amen. *(John 17:1-11)*

Tithes & Offerings *Passing of the Plate*
Offertory, Doxology, Prayer

Prayer of Confession *See Insert*

Closing Hymn "Are Ye Able" No. 530

Benediction: Beloved, go now in the blessing of the Triune God to live as diverse members of the one body of Christ, choosing unity over division, cooperation over conformity, and collaboration over exclusion as we work together for the flourishing of all creation. Amen.

Postlude/Cares Chorus